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ORDINANCE NO. _____

WHEREAS, the City owns and holds Pershing Municipal Auditorium for the benefit of the citizens of the City of Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, the Auditorium is a significant asset and is an integral part of the City's efforts to provide services in the public interest for the betterment of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Auditorium has operated with a significant historical deficit requiring outlays of public funds to subsidize its operations; and

WHEREAS, the Auditorium's overall usage and efficiency could be improved by an infusion of private resources including capital, management services, marketing services, entertainment services, administration services, and procurement services; and

WHEREAS, SMG, a Pennsylvania general partnership, which is indirectly and jointly owned by Hyatt Hotels (FMG Partners) and ARAMARK Corporation (ARA Facilities Management), 701 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA, 19106 has extensive skill, expertise and experience in management services, marketing services, entertainment services, administration services, and procurement services, and is willing to capitalize a concessions improvement fund and a study to identify limited aesthetic improvements of the Auditorium; and

WHEREAS, SMG has represented that it believes it can improve the historical subsidy and lessen the City's subsidy required for the operation of the Auditorium; and

| 1 | WHEREAS, the City desires to engage SMG to manage and operate Pershing |
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| 2 | Auditorium and SMG desires to accept such engagement. |
| 3 | NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of |
| 4 | Lincoln, Nebraska that: |
| 5 | 1. The Mayor is authorized to enter into a management agreement with SMG |
| 6 | to provide for management, marketing, entertainment, administration, and procurement |
| 7 | services for the Pershing Municipal Auditorium upon terms and conditions as provided |
| 8 | in the attached agreement. |
| 9 | 2. The City shall pay the expenses of operating the Auditorium as provided in |
| 10 | the agreement. |
| 11 | 3. SMG shall deposit the remaining balance (\$59,375) of the original |
| 12 | \$150,000 fund established as a concessions improvement fund, and a marketing fund |
| 13 | of \$50,000 and five percent of Concessions Gross Revenue, as provided in the |
| 14 | agreement. |
| | Introduced by: |
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| | Approved as to Form and Legality: |
| | City Attorney |
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| | Approved this day of, 2005: |
| | Mayor |